

**MEETING SUMMARY**  
**MISSOURI ADVISORY COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE**

**February 4, 2004**

**State Advisory Council Members Present:**

Luis Cordova	Sheila Grigsby	Clif Johnson	Greg White
Peggy Quigg	Keith Spare	Scott Jordan	Kim Dude
Sally Gibson dela Motte	John Harper		

**State Advisory Council Members Absent:**

Calvin Allen	Dan Duncan	LTC William Johnson	Robert Matichek
Charles Megerman	Mona Perry	Dr. Alan Reeves	Rhonda Wilkes
James Rogers			

**Regional Advisory Council Chairpersons (or designees) Present:**

Ron Griffen, representing the Northwest RAC  
Sherry Nelson, Central RAC

**Regional Advisory Council Chairpersons Absent:**

Mary Duff, Southwest  
John Nimmo, Southeast  
Liz Squibb, Eastern

**Division/Department Staff Present:**

Debra McBaine	Michael Couty	Mark Stringer	Charles Williams
Jodi Haupt	Mary Henry	Chris Knigge	Jodi Haupt
Al Myers	Angie Stuckenschneider	Tom Kimbro	

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<b>Call to Order/Approval of Minutes</b>	<p>Luis Cordova called the meeting of the Missouri Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse to order at 11:00 a.m. A quorum was present.</p> <p>The following corrections were noted for the November 4 minutes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sherry Nelson asked that the minutes reflect that the budget flow chart, contained with the report from the Communication Committee, be included as part of orientation for new SAC</li></ul>	

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	<p>and RAC members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The report from the Central RAC should be included as follows: the RAC continues to work on their comprehensive program to prevent underage drinking; their membership level has increased with a variety of interests represented, however, they continue to have some problems with attendance.</li> </ul> <p>Keith Spare moved that the minutes be approved with the above corrections. Motion was seconded by Clif Johnson, was voted on, and carried unanimously.</p>	
<b>Recognition of Service</b>	Peggy Quigg presented a gift of appreciation to Jodi Haupt for her years of service in staffing the State Advisory Council.	
<b>Update from Oxford House World Convention</b>	<p>Al Myers presented a report from the Oxford House World Convention that was held in October. At the request of the State Advisory Council, the Oxford House Council was asked to reconsider their current policy of not allowing clients in methadone maintenance programs to reside in an Oxford House. This was not approved by the Council, of which some members are former methadone clients. This issue was tabled by the Oxford House Council.</p> <p>As a result, the Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse may pilot Oxford-like programs in St. Louis and Kansas City in which methadone maintenance clients will be allowed to reside. A needs assessment is currently being conducted. Mr. Myers reported that, in 1989, there were 98 houses open in Missouri and now there are only 58 houses that are operational. Most houses fail because they cannot keep the beds filled. Before new houses are established for clients on methadone, the need must exist. SAC members who wish to comment on this issue can contact Paul Malloy or James McClain at their website: <a href="http://www.oxfordhouse.org">www.oxfordhouse.org</a>.</p>	
<b>Review of Videos</b>	Angie Stuckenschneider and Charles Williams	<b>SAC members were asked to provide contact</b>

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	<p>presented videos which have recently been developed as part of the “ALCOHOL: IS IT WORTH IT” advertising campaign. This campaign is running new commercial ads in Missouri and Arkansas on local stations. The St Louis area has been added this year and they will be placing ads on the sides of public transportation since it’s so costly for commercials.</p>	<p><b>information to Charles or Angie if they have local cable stations they would like to add to the campaign.</b></p>
<p><b>Division Director’s Report</b></p>	<p><b><u>Budget</u></b>  Michael Couty provided an update on the Division’s budget. The focus is on maintenance as there will be minimal funds for any increase in services. There is an increase in caseload growth and it’s the second year for this increase. Medicaid reimbursement for methadone is \$1.1 million. Michael also reported that the Cole County Drug Court and the Combat Commission in Jackson County will be allocating dollars for Medicaid Match will which allow the Division to use General Revenue funds for Medicaid services.</p> <p>The decision has been made to relocate the ADA Unit at Fulton State Hospital into the community. This will allow for a richer service package, with more clients being served. Michael explained that it is more cost effective to provide these services in the community than in the state hospital setting.</p> <p><b><u>Legislation</u></b>  Michael also gave a legislative update on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HB 855 (Holand), requires insurance providers to treat mental illness and alcohol addiction in the same manner as other medical services. Michael testified at the hearing last week and thinks this will be voted out of the House and move to the Senate.</li> <li>• HB 901, Alcohol Fee Increase (Deeken) – assigned to committee but hearing not yet scheduled.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SB 1170 (Shields), creates the “rehabilitation fund” by requiring non-violent offenders who are diagnosed with serious mental illness or substance abuse disorders that were contributing factors to their crime, to pay a monthly rehabilitation fee of \$25. Bill has been assigned to a committee, with a hearing scheduled.</li> <li>• HB 873 (Salva) contains provisions related to SATOP. The bill has been assigned to committee but a hearing has not yet been held.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>SATOP Update</u></b>  Michael reported that he met with all SATOP providers in November. He explained a major change that took place in July, 2003 is the Division’s SATOP staff now approves comparable programming rather than the Department of Revenue. It was also brought to the Division’s attention that some SATOPs are charging more than the standard fees for services. This practice will no longer continue and is being addressed with providers that were not in compliance. A consistent fee structure will apply to all SATOPs. In February, 2004, the Division started accepting applications for new SATOP certification. Luis asked if there were any SATOPs that specialize in bilingual services. Mr. Couty stated that, when the need arises, SATOPs are reimbursed for translation services.</p> <p><b><u>Strategic Planning</u></b>  Michael reported that he and Division staff are beginning to develop a five-year plan. The goal is to develop a single system of care for alcohol and drug abuse services that are funded by the Division. A strategic planning session will be held on March 15<sup>th</sup> at which time staff will begin looking at the steps that need to be taken to achieve that goal. Luis will be invited to attend the meeting. As the process proceeds, additional representation and input from</p>	

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	the SAC and RACs will be requested. This process will provide for consistency as the Divisions applies for grants, prepares future budget requests, etc.	
<b>Regional Reports</b>	<p><b><u>Northwest Region</u></b> – Ron Griffin reported on their recovery plan, their advocacy committee that is closely monitoring (HB901), and the Metro Prevention Coalition.</p> <p><b><u>Central Region</u></b> – Sherry Nelson reported they are reviewing the bylaws and trying to maintain a full membership. A budget issue was raised about allowing food (coffee, breaks) at their meetings since all members travel long distances.</p> <p><b><u>Eastern Region</u></b> – no report</p> <p><b><u>Southeast Region</u></b> – their membership drive has accrued three new members, with four other new members starting soon. Barb Keehn will be attending their next meeting to provide an update on the restructuring plan.</p> <p><b><u>Southwest Region</u></b> – it was reported that the membership drive was going strong with two new members and a possibility of two others very soon.</p> <p><b><u>RAC Chairs</u></b> – Sherry Nelson reported that they are holding monthly conference calls to keep everyone updated on various activities of the SAC, RACs, and Division in general.</p>	<b>The decision has been made to allow food purchases (limited to beverages and break items) for RAC meetings.</b>
<b>State Advisory Council Coordinator's Report</b>	<p><b><u>SAC Vacancies</u></b> Debbie announced that there are six vacancies on SAC. The RACs will be asked to forward nominations to fill the vacancies from their region.</p> <p><b><u>Legislative Update</u></b> The legislative updates will e-mailed weekly to all SAC members and RAC Chairpersons.</p> <p><b><u>SAC Listserv</u></b> The listserv for the SAC is now operational. If there are any questions or problems, please contact Debbie or Charles Williams.</p>	
<b>New Business</b>	<p><b><u>RAC Bylaws</u></b> The RAC Chairs have been discussing their bylaws</p>	

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	<p>and it has been suggested that a better definition of “consumer” is needed. They will continue to discuss this and present their final recommendations to the SAC. Debbie reminded them, that whatever definition they develop, to ensure they maintain consistency with the State Statute.</p> <p><b><u>Conferences/Training Events</u></b></p> <p>Charles Williams reported that there are a number of conferences and workshops taking place in Missouri during the coming months:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The National PRIDE Conference will be held in St. Louis on March 31<sup>st</sup> – April 3<sup>rd</sup></li> <li>• The Department’s annual Spring Training Institute will be held May 19-21 at Tan-Tar-A</li> <li>• The Annual “Meeting of the Minds” will be held at the Kansas City Marriott April 15-17.</li> <li>• The National Prevention Research Conference will be held in Kansas City at the Westin Crown Center August 25–28.</li> <li>• A conference on Problem Gambling will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Kansas City in August</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Counselor Certification</u></b></p> <p>Scot Jordon, SAC Representative on the Missouri Substance Abuse Counselors Certification Board, reported that the most recent test results indicate a pass rate of 75 percent for CSACs, and the pass rate for CASAC was 100 percent. The newsletter is now available online under MSACCB on the Department of Mental Health web site. Luis requested that Mr. Jordan keep the SAC informed of the Certification Board’s work. He is particularly interested in recruiting more bilingual social workers and counselors to the field.</p>	<p><b>Luis will be invited to a future meeting of the Missouri Substance Abuse Counselors Certification Board to discuss his concerns about recruitment of minorities.</b></p>
<b>Adjournment</b>	There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	The next State Advisory Council meeting will be held	

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	<b>May 5th in Jefferson City.</b> The meeting will be held in Conference Rooms A/B at the Department of Mental Health, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	